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#### PATENT APPLICATION

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**ARGUMENTS** 

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### **SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW OF JULY 14, 2005**

In response to the Interview Summary dated August 2, 2005, having a period for response set to expire on September 2, 2005, the Applicants submit the following statement regarding the substance of the interview.

- A) No exhibits or demonstrations were conducted.
- B) Independent claim 1 was discussed.
- C) The Calver reference was discussed.
- D) Substantive amendments to claims 1, 20, 39 and 40 were proposed. Specifically, the Applicants proposed amending claims 1 and 20 to include the

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limitations of dependent claims 2 and 21, respectively. Similar limitations were amended into claims 39 and 40.

- E) The Examiner's Interview Summary correctly describes the substance of the interview. However, the Applicants respectfully submit that the interview occurred on July 14, 2005, and not on May 14, 2005, as stated in the Interview Summary. In addition, the Applicants' representative respectfully does not recall the Examiner's assertion that a new search is necessary to examine the amended claims. Moreover, as the substantive claim amendments merely incorporate limitations already considered by the Examiner in a review of the dependent claims, the Applicants respectfully submit that such limitations were already searched, and that a new search is therefore unnecessary.
  - F) No other pertinent matters were discussed.
- G) The Examiner and the Applicants agreed that upon receipt of the Applicants' response (including the proposed claim amendment), the Examiner would reconsider the amended claims in light of the Calver reference.

Although Applicants believe that no fees are due in connection with this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782, for any other fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Respectfully submitted,

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